Please keep in touch with us by returning the card below:

Please Place Postage Here

> Assemblyman Chuck DeVore 3 Park Plaza, Suite 275 Irvine, CA 92614

Assembly California Legislature CHUCK DEVORE ASSEMBLYMAN, 70TH DISTRICT

Vour annual salary goes towards paying taxes. Shouldn't your representatives spend that money as carefully as you would?

They don't, and that's plain wrong. Republicans in the State Assembly are fighting to protect you, the taxpayer, from liberal Democrats who want to take even more of your paycheck.

CAPITOL OFFICE: PO Box 942849, Sacramento, CA 94249-0070, 916-319-207
DISTRICT OFFICE: 3 Park Plaza, Suite 275, Irvine, CA 92614, 949-863-7070
EMAIL: Assemblymember.DeVore@assembly.ca.gov

www.assembly.ca.gov/DeVore

PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE **PAID** STATE OF CAUR ASSEMBLY

Assemblyman, 70th District
CHUCK DEVORE
3 Park Plaza, Suite 275
Irvine, CA 92614

Sacramento
politicians are
wasting
your tax dollars.





California's Record: Tax & Spend.

You pay the 8th highest taxes in the nation.



As a California resident, you have the eighth highest tax burden in the nation. That means people who live in 42 other states are paying less taxes than you.

Stop Your Tax Dollars From Being Wasted

Every year, the State Legislature approves billions of dollars in spending, much of it lost to waste, fraud and

abuse. Here are just a few examples:

Missing State Vehicles:

When the Governor ordered an audit of all the state's vehicles, Californians were shocked to learn that nearly half of them are missing.

30,000 of 70,000 are missing – Caltrans trucks, CHP cars, fire rigs and prison vehicles. Yet the state continues to purchase new ones.

• Duplicative Government Agencies:

More than a dozen state agencies collect state taxes, including two separate, massive bureaucracies at the Franchise Tax Board and the Board of Equalization. But the Legislature has rejected bills to streamline these agencies.

• Costly Regulations:

The cost of repairing levees has risen astronomically, due almost entirely to new government rules that have nothing to do with keeping people and homes safe. There are about 1,600 miles of levees in the Sacramento and San Joaquin river system alone. The cost to repair levees has ballooned from \$300 per linear foot in the early 1980s to over \$5,000 per linear foot today.

• Illegal Immigrants in Prison:

Tens of thousands of our state's prisoners also happen to be illegal immigrants. They committed crimes like the rest of their fellow inmates, except the federal government is responsible for reimbursing the state for the cost of incarcerating them, or taking them into federal custody. But California is not getting fully reimbursed.

In fact, it costs \$43,287 each year to incarcerate one prisoner. The federal government is only reimbursing California \$2,805 per illegal immigrant inmate.

That means California is spending at least \$750 million extra per year.

2007-2008 State Budget **General Fund Expenditures (in Billions)** Other: \$5.5B Environmental & Parks: \$1.7B Roads & Housing: \$2.1B Corrections: -\$9.8B Education: \$53.3B Velfare: \$29.7B More than 80% of California's General Fund budget goes to education and welfare, while only 2% goes to roads.

Please keep in touch with us by returning the card below:

What Would You Do?

— Rec	luce taxes
--------------	------------

Continue	to	protect	Proposition	1	3
Commue	10	project	1 10003111011	- 1	U

Reduce government spending by eliminatin
wasteful programs and consolidating
duplicative bureaucracies.

Reduce the deficit through spending
restraint, not tax increases.

Taxes aren't high enough, the deficit shou
be eliminated with tax increases.

Name

Address

City/Zip

Email

Privacy Statement: Your contact information will not be shared. It will be used only to periodically inform you of important legislative issues. If you are concerned about your privacy, please mail this reply card in a sealed envelope.

www.asm.ca.gov/70